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Previous references.

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Later references.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 1 – 13 & 14

Part B for November 1916 & April 1917.

SUBJECT.

Blue - Book Journal

To

The Heads of Departments.
The Deputy Commrs of Districts
The Secretaries to Govt
The Editor, Mysore Economic Journal.

Go No 82 – 13 - E & A 9 dated 4th November 1916

Sanctions the scheme for the ~~compilation~~ publication of the Mysore Blue Book Journal.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(G.A.B.)

NOTES.

File No. 6-15

FILE HEADING.

Organisation & Development Subject "Publication of a Blue Book Journal."

From

No.	Dated	Received	
Diary No.	Enclos.	Spare Copies.	Serial No.

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

NOTES AND ORDERS.

P.T.O.

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G A File No. 16 of 1915-16

Serial No.	
1	D.O. No 358-62 R 28/8/15. To. (1) V. R Thyagaraja Iyer Esq (2) P. G. D Gonza — Esq (3) N. Madhava Rao Esq (4) A V Ramanathan Esq (5) C Hayavadana Rao Esq (6) R Ranga Rao Esq. Enquires whether he is willing to Cooperate in preparing a Scheme for the publication of a Blue Book Journal.
	R 30/8/15
2.	D.O. from Mr. V R Thyagaraja Iyer Agrees to Cooperate.
3	D.O. R 30/8/15 from Mr. C Hayavadanarao. Agrees to Cooperate and adds that the matter may be discussed at a meeting and enquires whether this suggestion will be agreeable to the Convener to help
4	D.O. R 30/8/15 from Mr. R Ranga Rao. Agrees to Cooperate.
5	D.O R 30/8/15 from Mr. A.V. Ramanathan Agrees to Cooperate.
6.	D.O. R 30/8/15 from Mr. P. G. D Gonza. States that he has already been asked

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Serial No.

to cooperate on the subject and that it will not therefore be possible to furnish any notes and adds that he will help in the preparation of a final scheme.

Submit.
1/9/15

NEE
2/9

A draft letter to be sent is put up

NEE
8/9
10

Seen

Seen
12/9

Seen
NEE
13/9

7 To. P. G. De'Souza Esq B.A. B.L.
V. R. Iyagaraj Iyer Esq M.A.
N. Madhava Rao Esq B.A. B.L.
A.V. Ramanathan Esq B.A.
C. Hayavadan Rao Esq B.A. B.L.
R. Ranga Rao Esq B.A. B.L.

Letters No. 478 & 479 / G.A. Dated 1.6.9.15
Acknowledges their D.O.s and states that a note will be prepared and ~~[illegible]~~ sent for opinion

8 From Mr C. Hayavadan Rao
D.O. No 1001 Dated 24.9.15
Stating that he shall be glad to send a note

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Serial No.

of his views on the scheme of publishing a Blue Book journal and request for the note promised from this office.

Submitted

4.10.15 I have given the papers to Mr Ranga Rao. Please write for the obtain them

11/10

Submitted with a D.O. letter to Mr R. Ranga Rao for the return of the papers.

18.X.15 I have personally asked Mr Ranga Rao about the papers

23/10/15

The accompanying note on the scheme of a Blue Book journal will if approved be sent to the co-operators in order that the consideration of the question may be simplified.

Secretary

Approved

25/11

13/11/15

Please ... the note obtained by ... before ... 13/11

Done 25/11

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Submit with a draft D.O.
KW
26/11/15

Issue
RRR
26/11

9 To Messrs V R Thyagaraja Iyer
" M V Ramanathan
" C Hayavadana Rao
" R Ranga Rao
Nos. 885-888 dt 27/11/15
Towards in continuation of G.O. No. No 7 a note on "Blue Book Journal" and Calls for their Views and Suggestions early

10 From Mr. R. Ranga Rao
D.O. dt 1/12/15
Note that the details outlined in the note are generally suitable and provides a note in regard to certain points ~~for~~ which require further consideration.

Submit.
KW
7/12/15

RRR
8/12

The note has been revised in consultation with the Secy in the light of the information

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obtained in Bombay regarding the Blue Book Quarterly.

12 Of the co-operators two have responded namely Mr R. Ranga Rao & Mr V. R. Nyayaraja Iyer. The latter has communicated his views orally.

13 Mr Ranga Rao apprehends harm from junior officers writing critical notices of the work of their departments in the journal. It must however be stated that discussion will not be permitted except on subjects selected by the Board and that the Board are bound to see that no offensive matter gets into the journal. Anyway the question is not one of immediate interest as it is proposed to defer issuing Part IV containing discussions till some experience is gained.

14 This last was Mr Nyayaraja Iyer's suggestion. He also suggested that every officer should be compelled to subscribe for the Journal as part of his efficiency equipment and that no officers should be supplied copies gratis. The last part of

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	The suggestion is adopted in the revised note (Secy)
	11/1/16

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Note II.

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GEN. AND REV. SECRETARIAT

TO THE DEWAN OF MYSORE

FOR ORDERS.

Mr N. Madhava Rao & myself beg to submit herewith a note showing the desirability of publishing a Blue Book Journal. It includes the results of our studies in Bombay.

Dwarkanath Rao
13/1

Dewan

Vide orders on file 8 [illegible]
Jus & 2 – B 2. 5.15.

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Serial No.

11 From Mr. Ottayavadana Rao.
Letter dt. 17/1/16.
Forwards a brief note on Blue Book Journal.

Noted. Mr. Ottayavadana Rao agrees generally with the suggestions ~~contained~~ for the publication of the Journal but he would restrict it to parts 1 to 2 with occasional references in very brief terms to analogous or other useful orders of other Govts. He would entirely omit Part IV.

In the revised note submitted to Secy Part IV is proposed to be added only after some experience is gained.
Noted.

20/1/16. This suggestion has already been adopted in the revised note — at any rate to a large extent — JLL 20/1/16.

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Serial No. 12

From Mr. A.V. Ramanathan
D.O. 29/1/16.

States that he agrees with the Revised Note in Blue Book Journal but a few suggestions regarding details.

Noted
MM
31/1/16

MM
31/1/16

The revised note has been separately submitted to the Secy. Messrs Ramanathan & Hayavadanarao have subsequently given their views, which however do not call for any change in the scheme as already submitted.

MM
19/2/16
3/3/16

Secy.

Please resubmit if the note is not read (with other)
MM
31/1/16

Resubmitted.
19/2/16.

Please keep the file some back
MM
20/1

Correct matter?

Dewan's views on the Note submitted in January last are awaited. A copy of the Note (Bombay Secy No II) is placed in this file.

Dewan

Dewan Sahib
10/4
10/4

52436
10.4.16

The file may be circulated to the ~~Finance Members~~ of Council for favour of their opinion.

2.5.16. RG

C.S. ai
Dewan
4/6

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Council Matter.

SUBJECT.

(Outside the Schedule)

Proposals for publishing a Blue Book Journal.

CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

D. M. Ranasinghe

Secretary to Government.

4th May .....191 6.

Extraordinary Member of Council.

110/6.5.16 **First Member of Council.** 9.5

Second Member of Council.

422. 9.5.16.

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21.

Shall we do the adoption of the Scheme.

7.5

May be tried. 10.5.16

I agree.

12.5.16.

D.S.N

Done 15/5

Put up new seen) 16/5

A D.S.N is put-up.

Deewan)

Dwarakanath 20/5

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20.5.16

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Submitted to His Highness.

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The accompanying note gives the details of a scheme for publishing an official journal containing a summary of important orders passed by Government and of books and publications issued by the several departments. It is also proposed to publish in the journal useful extracts from the orders of other Governments. The idea is to place before the public from time to time an account of the measures in which they are interested, and at the same time to furnish officers with current information regarding improvements taking place in departments other than their own and in other Governments.

2. A publication like the one now contemplated, though not quite on the same lines, has been issued for some time past by the Bombay Government, and the idea has also been followed in one instance by the Government of India.

3. Before definitely recommending the adoption of the present scheme which I have had under consideration for some time past, I desired Mr. D.M. Narasinga Rao, General Secretary and Mr.N.Madhava Rao, Assistant Secretary, who happened to be going to Bombay on leave, to ascertain some particulars about the Bombay publication. And the details have been worked out by these officers, under my instructions, as a part of the Organization and Development Scheme.

4. The publication may as suggested in the note be begun on a modest scale at first and its scope expanded afterwards if necessary. For the present, the scheme involves no expenditure except on periodicals, and printing, for which no separate provision is necessary.

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*Page 9 of office notes.

5. The proposals have been agreed* to by all the Members of Council and may be sanctioned.

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3rd July 1916 -

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

No. 5322
4.7.16

Subject.

Proposals for publishing a Blue Book Journal.

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Order.

~~KRW~~
5/7/16

Lambert
6.7.16
Draft
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		A draft G.O is put up.
		Secy) The draft order may be approved. NCM 13/7/16
+1336. 328/15.7.16		Dewan) Dewan of Cochin 15/7
		Vide order issued in 1336 on 4.7.1 NCM 15/7
	13.	

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Fr 328
15.7.16.

Draft re Blue Book Journal.

Dewan

1. are challenging the entertainment if necessary
2. Effecting circulation ingeborsine up to what need will be published
3. The Bureau will also come here.

DMC
31/7

The Dewan desires the General Secretary to kindly bring this up in person, & obtain orders —

Submitted to General Secretary.
B.V. Lakshman Rao
26.7.16.

4/9 The Dewan saw these orders might issue now and an additional clerk entertained if necessary.

Formal approval to this draft may kindly be obtained

DMC
4/9

Mr B.V.L. Rao
1336/4.9.16

The draft orders may issue if the Secretary is satisfied that the establishment will be sufficient for the purpose of the services of a clerk are entertained.

1.11.16. DMC

Can you arrange for the 1st Quarterly in January next as to kindly the earlier issue.

DMC
3/11

Done. First number must come out in January

MCC
4/11

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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Serial No.	
13	G.O. No. 82-13-E&AG of the 4th Nov 1916 sanctioning a scheme for the publication of the Mysore Blue Book Journal. Sent to Press for print & supply of copies by registered Cheque 4/11/16.
14	To the Comptroller, Mysore Govt. Letter No. 82-14 E&AG of 9. 3. 17. Request to issue instructions to Treasuries to receive subscriptions for the Mysore Blue Book Journal.

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Routine Notes.

[To be used only for notes, requisitions, etc., not intended for permanent record.]

From
The Comptroller.

Letter No. J.A.M. 8468/1899 dated the 5th April 1916.

Intimates that necessary instructions has been issued to the Treasuries to receive amounts presented as subscription for the Mysore Blue Book Journal.

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Subd

This is in reply to No. 82-14 E.A.G. of this office.

The file (82 E.A.G.) has been sent to Br II in connection with the employment of an additional asst. for the Journal work. This letter will be placed in the file on its return from Br II.

MN 11/4/17

Br. note
11/4/17

N.B.—Should routine notes be written on small slips, the notes must be copied, or slips pasted on this form.

W.D. 84—GPB—60,000—20-7-16

7 copies

D. O. No. 358-62 and E. A

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Dated Bangalore, 28th August 1915.

Sir,

I am desired to ~~forward herewith an extract of~~ Organization and Development subject "~~Publication of a Blue Book Journal" devoted to topics of administrative value and public interests~~ for the consideration of which you have been suggested as a helper and to enquire whether you will find it convenient to help the Government in devising a suitable scheme on the subject. A reply may kindly be sent before the end of the current month.

Yours sincerely,

1 V R Thyagaraja Iyer Esq, M A.

2 P.G.D'Souza, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to Government, Education and Agriculture, Bangalore.

3 N. Madhava Rao. Esq

4. A V Ramanathan Esq

5 C Hayavadana Rao, Esq

6 R Ranga Rao Esq

ORGANISATION AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES.

Group II. Administration.

Secretary - Mr. D.K.Narasinga Rao.

Sl. No.	Section	Subject.	Convener and helpers.	Main lines of work, time appointed etc.	Remarks regarding nature of subjects etc.
3	(2) Efficiency Audit.	Blue Book Journal.	**Convener.** ✓ Mr. D. K. Narasinga Rao. **Helpers.** ✓ Mr. V. L. Tyagaraja Aiyer. " J.P.D'Souza. " S. Kothandaraman. " A. V. Ananthan. " C. Rajaratnam Rao. " A. Ranga Rao.	Preparation of a note by convener on lines of Bombay and Government of India Publications, with due regard to local rules and procedure, and obtaining the opinions of helpers. By 31st December 1915.	Important Continuous.

D.O.No. 16

D. 252/E.A
31-8-15

General & Revenue Secretariat.

Bangalore, 30th August 1915

Dear Sir,

With regard to the query in your D.O.No.379 dated 28th instant, about the publication of a Blue Book Journal, I beg to reply in the affirmative.

Yours sincerely,

To

N.Madhava Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,

D. No. 20. 247/E.A
31-8-15 3

D. O. No. 574 MYSORE ECONOMIC JOURNAL,

Bangalore 30TH AUGUST, 1915

Dear Sir, Nee 31/8

With reference to your D. O. No. 361/E.A. dated the 28th instant, I write to say that I shall be glad to help Government in devising a suitable scheme for the publication of a "Bluebook Journal" of the kind referred to therein. I have some ideas about the subject and if convenient we may meet at an early date and talk over matters. I shall be glad to know if this suggestion meets with the approval of the Convener and the other helpers.

Yours faithfully,
M Rajavadana Rao

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No. 245/E.A
31-8-15

D. O. No. 29

OFFICE OF THE
REGISTRAR OF CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES
IN MYSORE.

Dated Bangalore, 30th August 1915.

My dear Madhava Rao,

In reply to your D.O. letter No.362/E.A. dated the 28th instant, I write this to say that I shall be very happy indeed to give such help as I can in connection with the scheme to publish a Blue Book Journal.

Yours Sincerely,

R. Rangaiah.

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Diary No. of letter replied to

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Date of issue 17-9-15

Signed by

File No.

Serial No.

No. 474/E.A

To P. G. D'Souza, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to Govt, E & A.

Dear Sir,

I am desired to acknowledge, with thanks, your letter No. 1018 dated 30.8.15 promising to help in the preparation of a scheme for publishing a Blue Book Journal. A note will be prepared in this office and sent to you for opinion, if this proposal should meet with your approval.

Yours sincerely,

Due 1/9

10/9

over.

SUBJECT.

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File No.

Serial No.

Diary No. of letter replied to

No. 475 - 479.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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To

V.R.Thyagaraja Iyer,Esq.,M.A.,
N.Madhava Rao, " B.A.,B.L.,
A.V.Ramanathan, " B.A.,
C.Hayavadana Rao, " B.A.,B.L.,
R.Ranga Rao, " B.A.,B.L.,

Date of issue 16-9-15

Signed by M. N. Madhava Rao.

Dear Sir,

I am desired to acknowledge, with thanks your letter No. dated promising to help in the preparation of a scheme for publishing a Blue Book Journal, and to request you to be so good as to furnish before the 15th October 1915, a brief note of your views. A note will be prepared in this office and sent to

over.

SUBJECT.

to you for opinion, if the consideration of the subject is likely to be facilitated thereby.

Yours sincerely,

Dec 29

Nov 18 9

List of enclosures

Copied by

Examined by

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D. O. No. 1001

MYSORE ECONOMIC JOURNAL.

DIARY No. 343

Bangalore, 20th September, 1915.

SECTION

Dear Sir,

With reference to your D.O. No. 476 dated the 15th instant, I shall be glad to send you a brief note on my views on the scheme of publishing a Blue Book Journal. I shall be obliged if you will kindly send me at the same time the note you so kindly promise.

Yours sincerely,

N. Madhava Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(~~Continuation sheet draft form.~~)

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D.O No. 885-889/E.A.

Dated 27-1-15

To.

1. V. R. Thyagaraja Iyer Esq. M.A.

2. A. V. Ramanathan Esq. B.A.

3. C. Hayavadana Rao Esq. B.A. B.L.

4. R. Ranga Rao Esq. B.A. B.L.

Dear Sir,

In continuation of my D.O. No 475-479 of the 16th Sept. 1915 re the preparation of a Scheme for publishing a "Blue Book Journal" I am desired to forward herewith a note on the subject and to request you to kindly favour Govt. with

your Views ~~and~~ suggestions
at a very early date.

THE BLUE BOOK JOURNAL

I. The Bombay Blue Book Quarterly.

Since 1914 the Bombay Government have been issuing a publication known as the Blue Book Quarterly giving briefly the nature and contents of the various publications of the Government issued or made available to the public during the preceding quarter. This was done as an experimental measure at first but the popularity of the publication led to its continuance and the enlargement of its scope. "The first part consists of the notices of Government publications proper, as distinguished from Press notes and Government Resolutions, classified under certain broad heads such as Education, Land Revenue, Medicine, &c. The exact title of the publication is then given together with details of its form, length, place of publication and price. Next follows the notice itself, and at its foot is added where necessary, references to further publications on the subject, such as reviews in Government Resolutions,&c.

The second part consists of a similarly classified list of published Government Resolutions and communiques, but as the substance or the whole of these is usually printed in the public press, no detailed notice is considered necessary". Latterly, however, a summary of this class of publications is being given.

The Government of India in the Education Dept followed the idea of the Blue Book Quarterly in publishing a summary of the publications issued by the Department.

II. The present idea

The publications referred to above suggested the idea that a similar publication on somewhat extended lines would be of use to officers of Government and to the publi interested in administrative questions. It is proposed to institute a quarterly or half yearly publication divided into ~~three~~ four parts.

1. A summary of important Government orders issued by the Government during the period ~~chosen~~ in question, with such references as may be necessary for a proper understanding of the previous history of the case and the circumstances which led up to the order.

2. Publications strictly so called issued by Government Departments.

3. Extracts from the published orders of other Governments in British India, from journals dealing with problems of administration,&c.

4. Correspondence on subjects of administrative interest, mostly subjects selected by the Editorial Board.

III. The object further explained.

The object aimed at is not so to furnish publ cists information regarding the acts and policy of Goverr ment as is the case with the publications of the Governments of India and of Bombay, but to acquaint officers currently with the administrative improvements,&c., taking place in departments other than their own and in other

other Governments which they have at present very little opportunity of knowing. It is also intended that officers, especially junior officers who are not in a position to make themselves heard should be encouraged to undertake critical and comparative studies of the work of their respective Departments by the opportunity afforded to them of expressing their views in a semi-official journal.

IV. The details of the scheme.

The following arrangements are proposed in order to carry out the objects explained above:-

(1) An Editorial Board of Officers should be formed with a junior officer as Secretary, the services of the members and Secretary being ~~temporary.~~ honorary

(2) The Secretariat responsible for every Government Order of importance should furnish a brief notice of the same for insertion in the journal to the Secretary to the Editorial Board. This process must be done more or less automatically and treated as an integral part of the issue of the order.

(3) Heads of Departments and others should communicate to the Journal improvements, if any, initiated by them.

(4) A list of official publications issued should be similarly obtained.

(5) The Secretary to the Editorial Board will make extracts of matters possessing administrative interest from journals, Gazettes of other Governments and similar publications.

(6) The Board should meet once in 3 months or 6 months according as the Journal is quarterly and half yearly.

(7) The Board should select subjects and invite contributions from officers in the State service as well as from persons outside the State. The contributions should be generally free ~~and~~ but occasionally prizes may be offered. Volunteered contributions may be accepted at the discretion of the Board.

V. The relation of the Blue Book Journal to existing Publications.

The Journal should be an independent publication and should not be issued as part of the Economic Journal or the Gazette. Its scope and purpose obviously place it in a different category from the Gazette and it will not overlap the field of the Economic Journal if it is strictly confined to matters of administrative interest.

VI. Circulation.

Though spoken of as a publication, the currency of the Journal may for the present be confined to officers in the service. This will mean that it will fetch no income.

VII. Cost.

But as against this circumstance, the publication involves no great cost either. Most of the Gazettes and some important journals are to be had in the Secretariat. The services of the Board of Editors and of the Secretary will, as stated already, be free. And so will be the printing. Occasional prizes for good contributions will doubtless be an

item

an item of expense but not a considerable one, nor one which could well be grudged. This and the subscription for some journals and Blue Books will be about all the investment necessary.

MW
15/11

BOMBAY SERIES NO.II.

THE BLUE BOOK JOURNAL.

I. The Bombay Blue Book Quarterly.

Since 1914 the Bombay Government have been issuing a " Blue Book Quarterly ", the scope of which is thus described. "The first part consists of the notices of Government publications proper, as distinguished from Press notes and Government Resolutions, classified under certain broad heads such as Education, Land Revenue, Medicine, etc. The exact title of the publication is then given together with details of its form, length, place of publication and price. Next follows the notice itself, and at its foot is added where necessary, references to further publications on the subject, such as reviews in Government Resolutions, etc.

" The second part consists of a similarly classified list of published Government Resolutions and communiques, but as the substance or the whole of these is usually printed in the public press, no detailed notice is considered necessary". Latterly, however, a summary of this class of publications is being given.

Begun as experimental publication, the Blue Book Quarterly has now been in existence for two years and its popularity is steadily increasing. It was ascertained that its circulation had reached 1,300 copies and would have been much more if it had been sufficiently advertised. Most of these copies are sent free and the publication is not therefore commercially a success but its usefulness otherwise is well established.

The Government of India in the Education Department followed the idea of the Blue Book Quarterly in publishing a summary of the publications issued by the Department, during a period of three years preceding.

II. The present idea

The publication referred to above suggested the idea that a similar publication on somewhat extended lines would be of use to officers of Government and to the public interested in administrative questions.

The object aimed at is not only to furnish publicists information regarding the acts and policy of Government as is the case with the Blue Book Quarterly of Bombay, but to acquaint officers currently with the administrative improvements,&c., taking place in departments other than their own and in other Governments. The journal is also intended to promote discussion on official matters and to serve as a means of encouraging officers to undertake critical and comparative studies of the work of their respective departments. It would also be an appropriate medium for Government conducting what may be termed "short talks" with their officers.

III. The details of the scheme

The following arrangements are proposed in order to carry out the objects explained above:-

(1) The Journal may be issued once a quarter.

(2) It may be divided into four parts.

(i) A summary of important Government orders issued by the Government during each quarter with such references as may be necessary for a proper understanding of the previous history of the case and the circumstances which led up to the order.

(ii) A short notice of books, etc., published by Government departments.

(iii) Extracts from the published orders of Government in British India, from journals dealing with problems of administration, &c.

(iv) Correspondence on subjects of administrative interest, mostly subjects selected by the Editorial Board.

To start with the Journal may consist of Parts i, ii, and iii. When experience is gained, Part iv may be added.

3. An Editorial Board of officers should be formed with a junior officer as Secretary, the services of the members and Secretary being honorary.

4. The Secretariat responsible for every Government Order of importance should furnish a brief notice of the same for insertion in the Journal to the Secretary to the Editorial Board. This process must be done more or less automatically and treated as an integral part of the issue of the order.

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V. Circulation.

A subscription of Re 1 may be fixed per annum. Assuming that 50 per cent of the higher officers will become subscribers and that we shall have at least Rs 200 from the local public subordinate officials and outsiders, we may well calculate on an annual income of Rs 250.

VI. Cost

The publication involves no great cost. Most of the gazettes and some important journals are to be had in the Secretariat. The services of the Board of Editors and of the Secretary will, as stated already, be free. And so will be the printing. Occasional payment for good contributions will doubtless be an item of expense but this is not to be incurred immediately as the issue of Part iv is proposed to be deferred. For the present therefore the subscription for some journals and Blue Books will be about all the expenditure necessary. This may amount to Rs 200, so that there will be a net gain of Rs 250 per annum which may be constituted into a separate fund. The cost of printing is excluded from the above calculation. Government may regard this as a grant-in-aid to the Journal.

The above scheme was discussed with Mr. Baty, I.C.S., the Editor of Government publications, Bombay, who is in charge of the "Blue Book Quarterly". He seemed to consider it quite feasible and ~~certainly~~ very useful both to the public and Government officers. The same was the opinion of several public men in Bombay and Madras with whom the matter was discussed. There is considerable interest taken outside in the affairs of this state and any scheme which served to place information regarding its current administration within easy reach would be welcomed.

Revised Note

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THE BLUE BOOK JOURNAL

I. The Bombay Blue Book Quarterly.

Since 1914 the Bombay Government have been issuing a publication known as the Blue Book Quarterly giving briefly the nature and contents of the various publications of the Government issued or made available to the public during the preceding quarter. This was done as an experimental measure, but the popularity of the publication led to its continuance on the enlargement of its scope. "The first part consists of the notices of Government publications proper, as distinguished from Press notes and Government Resolutions, classified under certain broad heads such as Education, Land Revenue, Medicine, etc. The exact title of the publication is then given together with details of its form, length, place of publication and price. Next follows the notice itself, and at its foot is added where necessary, references to further publications on the subject, such as reviews in Government Resolutions, &c.

The second part consists of a similarly classified list of published Government Resolutions and communiques, but as the substance or the whole of these is usually printed in the public press, no detailed notice is considered necessary". Latterly, however, a summary of this class of publications is being given.

The Government of India in the Education Deptt followed the idea of the Blue Book Quarterly in publishing a summary of the publications issued by the Department.

II. The present idea

The publications referred to above suggested the idea that a similar publication on somewhat extended lines would be of use to officers of Government and to the public interested in administrative questions. It is proposed to institute a quarterly or half yearly publication divided into three parts.

1. A summary of important Government orders issued by the Government during the period chosen, with such references as may be necessary for a proper understanding of the previous history of the case and the circumstances which led up to the order.

2. Publications strictly so called issued by Government Departments.

3. Extracts from the published orders of other Governments in British India, from journals dealing with problems of administration, &c.

4. Correspondence on subjects of administrative interest, mostly subjects selected by the Editorial Board.

III. The object further explained.

The object aimed at is not so to furnish publicists information regarding the acts and policy of Government as is the case with the publications of the Governments of India and of Bombay, but to acquaint officers currently with the administrative improvements, &c., taking place in departments other than their own and in other

other Governments which they have at present very little opportunity of knowing. It is also intended that officers, especially junior officers who are not in a position to make themselves heard should be encouraged to undertake critical and comparative studies of the work of their respective Departments by the opportunity afforded to them of expressing their views in a semi-official journal.

IV. The details of the scheme.

The following arrangements are proposed in order to carry out the objects explained above:-

(1) An Editorial Board of Officers should be formed with a junior officer as Secretary, the services of the members and Secretary being temporary.

(2) The Secretariat responsible for every Government order of importance should furnish a brief notice of the same for insertion in the journal to the Secretary to the Editorial Board. This process must be done more or less automatically and treated as an integral part of the issue of the order.

(3) Heads of Departments and others should communicate to the Journal improvements, if any, initiated by them.

(4) A list of official publications issued should be similarly obtained.

(5) The Secretary to the Editorial Board will make extracts of matters possessing administrative interest from journals, Gazettes of other Governments and similar publications.

(6) The Board should meet once in 3 months or 6 months according as the Journal is quarterly and half yearly.

(7) The Board should select subjects and invite contributions from officers in the State service as well as from persons outside the State. The contributions should be generally free but occasionally prizes may be offered. Volunteered contributions may be accepted at the discretion of the Board.

V. The relation of the Blue Book Journal to existing Publications.

The Journal should be an independent publication and should not be issued as part of the Economic Journal or the Gazette. Its scope and purpose obviously place it in a different category from the Gazette and it will not overlap the field of the Economic Journal if it is strictly confined to matters of administrative interest.

VI. Circulation.

Though spoken of as a publication, the currency of the Journal may for the present be confined to officers in the service. This will mean that it will fetch no income.

VII. Cost.

But as against this circumstance, the publication involves no great cost either. Most of the Gazettes and some important journals are to be had in the Secretariat. The services of the Board of Editors and of the Secretary will as stated already, be free. And so will be the printing. Occasional prizes for good contributions will doubtless be an

an item of expense but not a considerable one, nor one which could well be grudged. This and the subscription for some journals and Blue Books will be about all the investment necessary.

R Mahmud Navabkhan
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GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS
THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

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OFFICE OF THE
REGISTRAR OF CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES
IN MYSORE.

Dated Bangalore, 1st December *1915*.

My dear Madhava Rao,

Your D.O. letter No.885-88/E.A. dated the 26th November 1915 regarding the publication of a Blue Book Journal for Mysore to hand yesterday.

The details of the scheme outlined in the note forwarded with your letter are, I think, generally suitable. But a few of them seem to require further consideration, and I have therefore embodied my own suggestions with respect to them in the form of a note which I send herewith.

I am,

Yours Sincerely,

P. Rangaiah

The publication of a Journal in Mysore on the lines of the Bombay Blue Book Quarterly is a most useful measure. If in Bombay, which contains a highly developed and efficient public press, a semi-official Journal explaining the measures and the policy of the Government has been found desirable, a similar publication can be nothing short of a public necessity in Mysore which is but poorly served by news-papers, both as regards quality and quantity.

2. Given the necessity for the Journal, there is no doubt that it should be an independent publication. Its usefulness would, in fact, be materially diminished if it formed part of any existing publication. Nor would the cost be reduced.

3. I personally think that the Journal should be a quarterly publication. A half-yearly publication will give information which is either stale or is so belated that it cannot, in the majority of cases, be acted upon. A monthly Journal would be the best but for the practical difficulties standing in the way of such frequent publication.

4. Regarding the contents of the Journal, I am rather doubtful about the utility or the propriety of opening the Journal to the junior officers for an expression of their views on matters relating to their Departments. A comparative study of Mysore conditions and Mysore achievements with those elsewhere would certainly be useful and interesting. But the case is rather different as regards a critical study of the work of their departments. If a subordinate officer happens to take a view different from that of his

superior on any important current topic or event, and expresses it, his view is not likely to be a very material factor in the final decision arrived at. It is therefore nearly always useless and may occasionally lead to some unpleasantness. Again, all junior officers cannot always be relied upon to use the opportunity provided for them to make themselves heard reasonably and without giving room for offence. It is no good looking at the matter from a theoretical point of view as a mere expression of opinions, to be judged on their merits. Unpleasantness is pretty certain to arise, and I think that a critical study had therefore be best left out from the Journal.

5. The arrangements proposed for editing and publishing the Journal are satisfactory and call for no remarks. But with regard to the proposal that the circulation of the Journal may, for the present, be confined to Government officers, I venture to think that this would defeat, partly at least, the object of the publication. The Journal is intended to be of use to officers of Government and to the public interested in administrative questions, and unless copies of it are supplied to the latter, its publication serves no useful purpose so far as they are concerned. If the objection is to the sale of the Journal, a list may be made of select private gentlemen and copies supplied to them free.

R. Rangaraw

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D. O. No. 2573, MYSORE ECONOMIC JOURNAL,

Bangalore, 17th January 1916.

My dear Mr. Madhava Rao:

Herewith I enclose my brief note on your Blue Book Quarterly scheme. I rather think we would do well to keep ourselves strictly to the objects aimed at.

Yours sincerely,

M. Rajamannar Rao

N. Madhava Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.

Blue Book Quarterly.

I agree in the main with the scheme as enlarged in Mr. Madhava Rao's note. But I would in the first instance, restrict the publication to parts (1) and (2) with occasional references, in very brief terms to analogous or other useful orders of other Governments in British India which is proposed to be included in Part III. I would omit all matter proposed to be taken from Journals about administrative or other problems, and all correspondence etc., referred to as forming Part IV. This would help to keep the intended publication within due limits and we should, if possible not go beyond it and turn it into a Journal. Its scope is defined by its name, The cost also in this case would be little, and incidental expenses, if any, would be covered by sale of copies to outsiders if there is no objection to this course being adopted. I may add that all Government orders (placed in Economic Journal are always available for sale.)

General and Revenue Secretariat,

Bangalore, 29th January 1916.

Dear Sir,

With reference to your letter No.885-888/E.A. dated the 26th November 1915 and with reference to the copy of the revised note on "Blue Book Journal" kindly sent by you, I beg to state that I agree entirely with the revised note.

I wish, however, to suggest the following further details for consideration:-

(i) The management of the Journal should be intimately connected with the Bureau of Information proposed to be established, and if possible, both should be managed by a single person or committee. In fact, the Blue Book Journal, as now foreshadowed, can be nothing else than the organ of a Bureau of Official Intelligence.

(ii) Before beginning the publication of the Journal, a compilation should be got up giving brief descriptive accounts and extracts of the more important contents of all existing Government publications and orders of public interest. It should also contain brief historical and descriptive accounts of the organisations of the several departments of the State including comparisons with other Governments, where possible The compilation will be a standing reference book of official intelligence and every issue of the Blue Book Journal should be designed so as to serve as a supplement to it.

I need hardly point out the necessity for such a standing compilation, both to the public, and to the new entrant to service. At present, one hardly knows where to get the information wanted, and though the Gazetteer contains much valuable information, it does not give any bibliography of official literature nor are there acknowledgments of individual sources in the chapter on Administration to enable one to refer to the original sources for detailed information.

Under this altered function of the Blue Book Journal, however, it may not be necessary to issue it at periodical intervals and it will be sufficient if the number are issued whenever the additional information available warrants it.

Yours sincerely,

Bhojaraja Rao

N. Madhava Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Assistant Secretary to Government,
Bangalore.

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A "Blue Book Journal" may with lines adopted in Bombay may prove very useful to the general public. Correspondence on subjects in a controversial stage may be excluded, but there can be no harm in giving a brief account of improvements & measures initiated & carried out in any Dept with the approval of Govt.

The limits of space & financial considerations will not permit any responsible officer to indulge in writing lengthy articles. It is always open to the Editor to reject or curtail articles sent up for publication - matters may be easily condensed before being sent to the Press.

The proposal is good & may be given a fair trial.

L Kershaw
2-8-1916 Rev Secy

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Enclosures to the Rev. Steps Opinion

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Routine Notes.

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I have gone thro' the Bombay pamphlet & the scheme of the pamphlet proposed for Mysore. & am not quite sure how far it is a records for officers. The Monthly Proceedings Volumes quite serve the purpose intended so far as officers are concerned & there is no doubt that Volumes are read by officers with a natural inquisitiveness in respect of matters relating to other depts.

But if the Publication is extended for the benefit of the public it seems to me it will serve a really good purpose & the fees to forests will gain

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The confidence of the public wh. is an essential for all governments. —

The suggestion to invite criticisms of methods of work from junior officers & may it is to be feared wh. prove conducive to discipline. Every officer must submit his views thro' the head of his dept. —

The provision in Sec. IV Cl. (2) will add considerably to the work in the Secty. — The work shd. be done by the Editorial Board. —

I heartily

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Support the publication if it is extended for the benefit of the public. — With articles of the kind in the Bombay Journal & the Mysore Journal will come and in large ~~circle~~ number of readers & serve better for public edification than Gazettes —

Rev Secy.)

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A publication in like the one in question may be issued for the benefit of the public, and will be much appreciated.

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A publication strictly confined to the scope of the Bombay periodical will be useful as bringing in a condensed form useful information available in the various departmental publications and orders. From the nature of the case it should be made available to the Public. Thus I would keep

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not strictly items 3 & 4 of para 2 of the note. It is sufficient if it is made happily. Extending the scope on the lines indicated at para 3 would, it appears to me, be unfortunate as discussions cannot always be kept at the academical level.

vide cl 3 of para 4.

A standing invitation to write about men's own work may also conceivably land the journal in unlooked for results. Unfortunately men are not cut to a pattern. While some are retiring and writing

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The Mysore Blue Book Journal

Proceedings of the Government of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

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Order No. 82-13-EAG dated 4th Nov. ~~July~~ 1916.

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Secretary to Government,
General Department.

To

Heads of Departments.
Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
The Secretaries to Government.
The Editor, Mysore Economic Journal.

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Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

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N Madhava Rao

for Secy. to Govt., Gen. Dept.

To—The Heads of Departments.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
The Secretaries to Government.
The Editor, Mysore Economic Journal.

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SUBJECT Requests to issue instructions to Treasuries to receive Subs for B.B.J.

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Signed by M. N. Krishnaraja

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To The Comptroller to Gov

Sir,

I am directed to invite
reference to G.O. No. 82-13 E.A
dated the 4th Nov 1916, I am
directed to request that you
be so good as to instruct
all Treasury officers to
receive ~~Donations~~ amounts
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It is requested that in future communications on the subject, the No. and date of this letter, and the distinguishing letters below the number as given opposite, may be quoted and addressed to the Comptroller, Mysore Government.

the communications.

No. 8468 T.A.M. 1899

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER, MYSORE GOVERNMENT,

Dated Bangalore, the 2nd April 1917.

FROM

M. N. Krishna Rao, Esq.,
~~J. S. CHAKRAVARTI, Esq.,~~
~~ETC.~~
Offg. *Comptroller to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore.*

To

D. M. Narasinga Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
General *Department.*

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. 82-14/E.A.G. dated 9th March 1917, I have the honor to state that necessary instructions have been issued in this office Circular No. 8204-5/T.A.D. I. 1006-13 dated 27th March 1917 to the Treasuries to receive amounts presented as subscription for the Mysore Blue Book Journal.

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

Assistant Comptroller.

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FROM

~~J. S. CHAKRAVARTI, ESQ., M. A.,~~

~~F. R. A. S., ETC.,~~

Comptroller to the Govt. of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

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The *Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore,*

.....General.....*Dept.*

Dated 5th } April 1917.
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No. J. & M. 1899.

Subject matter.

Intimating that all Treasuries are authorised to receive amounts tendered as subscription for Blue Book journal

SUBMITTED TO HIS HIGHNESS

The accompanying note gives details of a scheme for publishing an official journal containing a summary of important orders passed by Government and of books and publications issued by the several departments. It is also proposed to publish in the journal Useful extracts from the orders of other Governments ~~are also proposed to be published in it~~. The idea is to place before the public from time to time an account of the measures in which they are interested, and at the same time to furnish officers with current information regarding improvements taking place in departments other than their own and in other Governments.

2. A publication like the one now contemplated, though not quite on the same lines, has been issued for some time past by the Bombay Government, and the idea has also been followed in one instance by the Government of India.

3. Before definitely recommending the adoption of the present scheme which have had under consideration for some time past, I desired Mr. D. M. Narasinga Rao, General Secretary, and Mr. N.Madhava Rao, Assistant Secretary, who happened to be going to Bombay on leave, to ascertain some particulars about the Bombay publication. And the details have been worked

by these officers, under my instructions, as a part of the Organisation and Development Scheme.

4. The publication may as suggested in the note be begun on a modest scale at first and its scope expanded afterwards if necessary. For the present, the schem involves no expenditure except on periodicals, and printing, for which no separat provision is necessary.

5. The proposals have been agreed to by all the Members of Council and may be sanctioned.

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